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MINUTES.

Alabama Baptist Historical Society

OF THE

Seventeenth Annual Session

OF THE

Clear Creek Baptist Association.

HELD WITH

Bethel Church, No. 1

Melville, Winston County, Ala.

The next session of this body will meet with Macedonia Church, six miles east of Haleysville, on Friday before the third Sabbath in October, 1892.

T. M. MARTIN, Moderator, Browns Creek, Ala.

D. S. McCULLARS, Clerk, Motes, Ala.



MINUTES OF THE CLEAR CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Seventeenth Annual Session of the Clear Creek Baptist Association met with Bethel Church, No. 1, Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in September, 1891.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Eld R. M. Atkins. Text, Luke, Second chapter and 7 verse. An intermission was given of 40 minutes. The delegates re-assembled in the Church house. Prayer by J. M. Waller. The body was then called to order by the Moderator. The letters from the several Churches were called for and placed on the table. The names of N. H. Estes and James Hilton were called as reading clerks, who read the letters. The names of the Churches and delegates were enrolled as follows:

UNION GROVE, No 1.—B. J. Weaver. H. L. McCrary, W. W. Davis,

SARDIS, No. 1.—T. M. Martin, J. H. Barton, C. A. League,

ROCK CREEK,—E. W. Jackson, J. N. Curtis. W. A. Curtis.

MACEDONIA—J. C. Long, J. T. Hackett, T. P. Southerland.

LIBERTY GROVE.—Not represented.

SHILO—Not represented.

NEW PROSPECT.—J. A. Defore, J. W. Kirkpatrick, A. Underwood.

GUM POND—A. F. Cole, Z. Francis, J. Anderson,

CONCORD—L. M. Tayler. C. A. Threadgill, W. C. Tucker,

BETHLEHEM, No. 2—B. G. Ray, W. D. Douthett, W. G. Tucker.

BLOOMING YOUTH.—Not represented.

MOUNTAIN SPRINGS,—W. A. Sockton.

LOW GAP—G. D. Wilson, J. A. Ward, H. B. Sims

LIBERTY—James Hilton, C. A. Sims, Wm. Kiker,

BETHEL, No. 1.—I. P. Gibson, J. D. Rutledge, J. W. Hendon,

MT. OLIVE---C. A. Taylor, P. M. West, F. M. Revis,

MT. CARMEL---Not represented.

HOUSTON---D. R. Smith, B. F. Shank, J. A. Scoggins, E. R. Little.

DOUBLE SPRINGS,---R. H. Gaines, Geo. W. Adkins, J. D. Gaines,

NEBO---T. A. Cobb, T. J. Combs, D. H. Griggs,

FAIRVIEW---S. McCollum, D. Carroll, T. G. Howell,

UNION HILL---D. S. McCullars, Joseph Byars, F. Tidwell,

CORINTH---G. W. Hilton, S. C. Cooper, M. Chambers,

BETHLEHEM,---B. F. Atkins, L. R. Henson, John Jones,

MT. ZION---Y. M. Ivy, I. Williams.

BLOOMING GROVE,---N. H. Estes, W. B. Durham, J. T. Beddingfield.

BETHEL, No 2---Not represented

OAK GROVE---M. Williams, D. S. Bennetfield, A. J. McCullars,

MT. ZION, No 2---J. H. G. Skinner, M. Mobley, J. W. Wood,

UNION GROVE, No 2,---G. W. Gibson, A. M. Fincher, J. W. Linley,

The body then proceeded to the election of Moderator and Clerk, which resulted in the choice of Elder T. M. Martin, mod., and D.S. McCullar, clerk. The door of the Association was opened, the following newly constituted churches presented letters and delegates : Friendship,—A, J. Wright, L. P. Hulsey, H. L. Thomas. From Union, J. W. McDowell, J. W. Gaddis, J. M. Bonds. Sardis, No. 2, J. W. Hood, C. P. Henderson. All were received and the right hand of fellowship extended by the moderator.

Then appointed the following committees:

On Religious Exercise—B. J. Weaver, N. H. Estes, J. H. G. Skinner, J. D. Rutledge, J. M. Tingle.

On Education. . W. A. Stocton, G. D. Wilson, I. P. Gibson, J. C. Long, T. A. Cobb.

On Finance—J. D. Rutledge, S. McCollum, T. M. Canup.

Aged Ministers.. H.L. McCrary, F. M. Revis, Joseph Byars.
 Vocal Music.. I. P. Gibson, G.D. Wilson, N. H. Estis.
 Associational Missions.. G.W. Hilton, S. McCollum, F. Tidwell.
 Documents.. T.P. Southerland, M. Mobley, G. W. Adkins.
 Temperance.. James Hilton, J. N. Curtis, C. A. Taylor, J. C. Long,
 W. A. Stocton, W. B. Durham.
 Sabbath Schools.. D. S. McCullars, C.A. Taylor, L. M. Taylor.
 Home Mission.. B. G. Ray, A. J. McCullars, J. W. Wood.
 Foreign Mission—J. N. Curtis, B. F. Atkins, A. F. Cole.
 Charity—C. A. Taylor, D. Carroll, R. E. Little,
 Nomination—J. C. Long, I. P. Gibson, S. McCollum.
 Credentials—I. P. Gibson, J. A. Defore, B. F. Shank,

Called for Correspondence from Cullman Association,
 H. J. Chapey, fraternal messenger. Then adjourned un-
 til Monday morning 8 o'clock.

The stand was filled on Sabbath at eleven o'clock by
 Eld J. M. Waller; text, John 14th chapter and 8th verse.
 the discourse was profoundly Biblical and well received.

Monday morning 8 o'clock, met pursuant to adjourn-
 ment. Prayer by Eld E. R. Little. The body was called
 to order by the Moderator, and the several committees
 made their reports as follows:

EDUCATION.—We your Committee on Education beg leave to
 report, that it is gratifying to note the growing interest in education-
 al work in our bounds. Since knowledge is power, it is important
 that our children receive liberally and for the same reason well di-
 rected education, We especially reccomend the education of young
 Ministers. Respectfully submitted,

W. A. ST OCTON, Chairman.

AGED MINISTERS.—We your committee on aged ministers beg leave to report that we have one in the bounds of our Association that needs our help,

Respt., submitted.

H. L. McCrARY, Chairman.

VOCAL MUSIC.—We your committee on vocal music report that we find the interest in vocal music in the bounds of our association is far better than when we last met, but there is yet room for great improvement, and we advise all the leaders in our bounds to press forward in the further advancement of the same. We further think that our ministering brethren can do a great work in the cause by admonition.

Respect, submitted.

I. P. GIBSON, Chairman.

STATE MISSIONS.—We your committee on State missions beg leave to report that we are at a loss to know how to report owing to the Second District having already put out a District Evangelist. We believe that mission is the means that God has ordained to save the world. We further believe that if we could have the full co-operation of this body we could support a missionary all the time.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HILTON, Chairman.

DOCUMENTS.—We your Committee on Documents beg leave to report that we have examined all the papers and documents submitted to us, and we find nothing of importance except a request from the Liberty Church asking for a letter of dismission to join the North River Association. We recommend that a letter be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. SOUTHERLAND, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE.—We your committee on Temperance beg leave to report that we are in favor of Temperance in all things, more especially the use of ardent spirits; seeing and realizing that it is one of the worst curses of the day it causes more trouble and more crime

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than any other evil of the present age, We advise the Churches to discipline all who are intemperate and to discipline the churches who hold in fellowship any intemperate member.

Respt., submitted, JAMES HILTON, Chairman.

HOME MISSION,—Your committee on Home Mission report that we regard mission as a Bible work and that we favor all missions especially state mission.

Respectfully submitted.

B. G. RAY, Chairman.

FOREIGN MISSION.—Your committee reports that it is a Bible doctrine. That it is the duty of all to aid the same as the Lord prospers them; it was ordained of heaven as the only means for the salvation of the human family; the Gospel must be preached to all the world, beginning at Jerusalem, to the uttermost part of the earth and as God gave the great commission to us to do the work, we herefore reccommend a hearty co-operation in the same.

Respectfully submitted. J. N. CURTIS, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—We your committee on Sabbath Schools report that we are delighted to witness the increase of Sabbath schools in our bounds; we reccommend that you go on in this great and grand work, as we have to contend with every species of opposition to truth and scripture. We earnestly reccommend that all the churches having no Sabbath school that they organize at once and report the same at the next meeting of this body.

Respt., submitted, D. S. McCOLLARS, Chairman.

CHARITY—We your committee on charity submit the following report. We advise the brethren to examine the subject of Charity, as we understand it to be love to God and our fellow man: that we use all the means in our power to teach our children and those with whom we are surrounded to be charitable one to another and to seek ye the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added.

D. CARROLL, Chairman.

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CREDENTIALS.—Your committee on credentials report the following ordained ministers of your body; Union Grove No 1, W.W.Davis G.W.Davis, E.Barnes; Sardis No 1, T.M.Martin; Gumpond, W, R Cole, A.F.Cole, A.L., Anderson, Jessé Bordon, P.T. Bordon; Concord, L. M. Taylor; Fairview, D. Carroll; Corinth, S. C. Cooper Blooming Grove, D.B. Ford; Union Hill, R. M. Atkins; Mountain Springs, W. A. Stockton; mt Carmel, J. J. Wakefield; Houston, B, F. Shank, E, R. Little; Union Grove No 2, G, W, Gibson, T. M Canup; Bethlehem No 2, J. W. O'Kelly; Bethel No 2, W, L. Hix; Macedonia, T, P, Southerland; mt Olive, C, A. Taylor; New Prospect, J, M, Roberts; Nebo, W. Daily; Liberty Grove, J.K.P.Taylor; Sardis No 2, J, W, Hood; Mt, Zion, M. Williams; Blooming Youth, T. S. Kuykendall, I. P. GIBSON, Chairman,

MISSIONARY'S REPORT.—Preached 185 sermons; Exhortations 60; Constituted one church, Ordained one minister; Ordained one deacon; Baptised 15; Received cash from the churches \$35.50; From other sources by pledges, \$10.50; From the churches by pledges \$150.00; Ballance due \$125.00. Respt. submitted,
R. M. ATKINS, vissionary

Report of the first District.—The body will convene with Union Grove Church No. 1, on Friday before the 1st Sabbath in September 1892. Eld W. R. Cole to preach the introductory sermon, T. P. Southerland, alt. Eld R. M. Atkins, to preach on Sabbath at 11 o'clock, James Hilton, alt. The next Association to be held with Macedonia church, Winston county, Ala., six miles east of Haleysville. L. M. TAYLOR, moderator,
J. T. HACKETT, Clerk.

Report of the second District.—This meeting convenes with Oak Grove church Winston county, Ala., on Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in Sept 1892. Eld J, G, Lovelady, to preach the introductory sermon, Eld W. Daily to preach on Sabbath at eleven o'clock S.C. Cooper, alt, R. M. ATKINS, moderator,

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NOMINATIONS.—C, A, Taylor to preach the introductory sermon at the next Association, D. B. Ford, alternate. Eld W. R. Cole to preach on Sabbath at eleven o'clock, J. W. Hood, alternate

Respt, submitted,

J. C, LONG, Chairman,

Report on Finance:

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Union Grove No 2,.....	\$1,35	\$ 1,25	Mt Zion	\$.25	
Friendship.....	.80	.50	Bethlehem ...	.50	.25
Oak Grove.....	.75	.50	Rock Creek.....	.50	
Union	.75	.25	Fairview,.....	1,00	.50
Sardis.....	1,00	.25	New Prospect.....	1,00	.50
Macedonia	1,25	.25	Concord	.60	.50
Gum Pond.....	1,50	.50	Houston.....	.80	.20
Mt Olive,.....	1,00	.50	Bethlehem No 2,.....	1,50	.50
Union Grove No 2.....	.50	.25	" missions 45 cts		
Union Hill.....	.75	.50	Corinth.....	.60	.25
Low Gap.....	.55	.2	Bethel No 1.....	1,00	.50
Mt Zion, No 2,.....	.80	.20	Double Springs,.....	.75	.25
Nebo.....	1,00	.25	Blooming Grove.....	1,40	.50
			Sardis, No 2.....	.25	.25
				<u>\$ 22,40</u>	<u>\$ 7,80</u>

Total of whole amount, \$30,65,

J, D. RUTLEDGE, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT,—Received of the finance committee for the year 1890, minute fund, \$22,75; associational fund \$7 50. Paid for printing minutes \$22,00; paid to clerk, \$7,50: Total, \$29,50, Bal, on hand, 75 cts, D, S, McCULLARS, Treasurer,

By request a committee was appointed of the following Brethren: R. M. Atkins, W. A. Stoetson, L. M. Taylor, R. E. Little, A. F. Cole, J. C. Long, S. McCollum, G. D. Wilson and N. H. Estis to settle a difficulty between Liberty Grove church and J. T. Harris.

Appointed D. S. McCullars treasurer for the next Associational year. [1892]

Resolution of Thanks.—This body returns her thanks to Bethel church and vicinity for their hospitality and kindness towards us while among them.

The minutes were read and approved, then prayer was offered by Eld S. C. Cooper. Then sang a hymn and took the parting hand, and adjourned to meet with Macedonia Church, Winston county, six miles west of Haleysville, on Friday before the third Sabbath in October 1892.

Benediction by

T. M. MARTIN, Moderator.

D. S. McCULLARS, Clerk.





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 First Mission Superst. STATISTICAL TABLE. 11/10 11/10 0722
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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS	P. O.	Baptized	Restored.	Rec by letter	Dis by letter	Excluded.	Died.	Total	Sun meeting.	Minute fund.	Association fund.	Mission fund.	Remarks
First District.															
NOTION GROVE No 1.,	T. M. Martin,	G. W. V. Vanderfor,	Biler,	1	1	2	1	2	2	50.3	1.00	.25			
SARDIS No 1.	T. M. Martin,	C. A. League,	Lynn,		2	5	5	2	5	54.3	1.35	.25			
ROCK CREEK, ...	A. F. Cole,	W. P. Shipman,	Double Springs.	2	1	3	3	2	2	42.3	.50				
MACEONIA, ...	T. P. Sutherland,	J. T. Hackett,	Haleysville,	1			5			51.4	1.25	25			
Liberty Grove, ...	Not Represented,		Haleysville,												
Shilo, ...	Not represented,		Pebble,												
NEW PROSPECT.	I. M. Roberts,	J. A. Defore,	Haleysville,	6	4	4	4	1	1	94.2	1.35	50			
GUM POND, ...	W. R. Cole,	M. L. Owens,	Cole,		2		0	1	1	89.1	1.50	50			
CONCORD, ...	I. M. Taylor,	Jasper Ingle,	Lynn,	2						29.2	.00	50			
BETHLEHEM, No 2.	James Hilton,	W. D. Doughtett,	Lechug,	8	2	4	4	3	3	63.4	1.50	50		45	
Blooming YOUTH, ...	Not represented,		Double Springs,												
Mountain Springs, ...	W. R. Cole,	I. T. Dittishaw,	Cole,	1						60.3					
Low GAP, ...	T. P. Sutherland,	H. B. Sims	Biler,			11	2			26.1		55			
Bethel No 2, ...	Not represented,		Biler,												
Second District.															
MT. OLIVE, ...	C. A. Taylor,	A. R. Shipman,	Gum Pond,		2					49.8	1.00	50			
MT. Carmel, ...	Not represented,	D. R. Smith,	Houston	4	7	5	2	1	1	30.4	.80	20	5.00		
HOUSTON, ...	B. F. Shank,	G. W. Adkins,	Double Springs,	1	2			1		24.4	.75	25	5.00		
DOUBLE SPRINGS, ...	T. P. Sutherland,	G. B. Lester,	Addison,	7	1	10	2			50.4	1.00	25			
NEBO, ...	J. W. Hood,	S. C. Cooper,	Double Springs,	4	1	5	1	1	1	32.1	1.00	50	7.00		
FAIRVIEW, ...	S. C. Cooper,	D. S. McCullars,	Motes,				5			20.3	.75	25	5.00		
UNION HILL, ...	S. C. Cooper,	G. W. Hilton,	Biler,							20.3	.60	25	5.00		
CORINTH, ...	Jas. Hilton,	B. F. Atkins,	Elk,	3		9	2			10.3	.50	25			
BETHLEHEM No 1, ...	S. C. Cooper,	I. H. Ivcey,	South Lowell,				1			14.3	.25				
MT. ZION, No 1, ...	M. Williams,	N. H. Estee,	Mary Lee,		14	13	1	1	1	77.2	1.49	50	5.00		
BLOOMING GROVE, ...	Jas. Hilton,	J. D. Rutledge,	Meville,	5	1	2	1			47.3	1.00	36			
OAK GROVE, ...	B. F. Shank,	W. E. Williams,	Motes,	12	1	10	1	1	1	33.4	.75	50	20		
MT. ZION, No 2, ...	G. W. Gibson,	J. W. Wood,	Crane Hill,	12	2	2	1	5		29.2	.80	20			
UNION GROVE, No 2, ...	B. F. Shank,	A. M. Fincher,	Melville,	3	2	2	1	5		17.1	.80	25			
FRIENDSHIP, ...	W. Dailey,	W. H. Perry,	Addison,	1	16	2				21.5	.50	15			
UNION, ...	B. F. Shank,	I. W. McDaniel,	Houston,	12	1	9	1	1	1	27.3	.75	15			
SARDIS, No 2, ...	J. W. Wood,	C. P. Henderson,	Addison,							6		25			

The mission fund paid to R. M. Atkins, Missionary.

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